## CLAIMS

## What is claimed is:

- 1. A method of integrating print job status information and user options comprising displaying a list of user-selectable printing features including a status feature, with the status feature selected, in response to a command to execute a print job and displaying a current status of the print job together with the list.
- 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupting the print job in response to receiving the selection and displaying a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features.
- 3. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupting the print job in response to receiving the selection, displaying a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features and displaying a print preview image which changes in response to actuation of the user-actuable control.
- 4. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupting the print job in response to receiving the selection, displaying a user-actuable control for one of the features, displaying a print preview image which changes in response to actuation of the user-actuable control, receiving a second command to execute the print job and resuming the print job in response to the second command.
- 5. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupting the print job in response to receiving the selection, displaying a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features and modifying the print job in response to user actuation of the user-actuable control.

6. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving a selection of one of the user-actuable printing features other than the status feature, interrupting the print job in response to receiving the selection, displaying a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features, modifying the print job in response to user actuation of the user-actuable control, receiving a second command to execute the print job and resuming the print job in response to the second command.

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- 7. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupting the print job in response to receiving the selection, displaying a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features, displaying a print preview image which changes in response to actuation of the user-actuable control and receiving a second command to execute the print job.
- 8. An article of manufacture comprising a computer usable medium having computer readable code embodied therein to cause a display to depict a graphical user interface for setting printer options, the computer readable program code in the article of manufacture being configured to display, in the graphical user interface, a list of user-selectable printing features including a status feature, with the status feature selected, in response to a command to execute a print job and to display a current status of the print job together with the list.
- 9. The article of manufacture of claim 8, the computer readable program code further being configured to receive a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection and display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features.
- 10. The article of manufacture of claim 8, the computer readable program code further being configured to receive a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection, display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features and display, in the graphical user interface, a print preview image which changes in response to actuation of the user-actuable control.

11. The article of manufacture of claim 8, the computer readable program code further being configured to receive a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection, display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for one of the features, display, in the graphical user interface, a print preview image which changes in response to actuation of the user-actuable control, receive a second command to execute the print job and resume the print job in response to the second command.

- 12. The article of manufacture of claim 8, the computer readable program code further being configured to receive a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection, display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features and modify the print job in response to user actuation of the user-actuable control.
- 13. The article of manufacture of claim 8, the computer readable program code further being configured to receive a selection of one of the user-actuable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection, display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features, modify the print job in response to user actuation of the user-actuable control, receive a second command to execute the print job and resume the print job in response to the second command.
- 14. The article of manufacture of claim 8, the computer readable program code further being configured to receive a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection, display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features, display, in the graphical user interface, a print preview image which changes in response to actuation of the user-actuable control and receive a second command to execute the print job.
  - 15. A computer implemented printer control system comprising:

memory configured to provide an operating system and operative to store files representing at least one document to be printed;

a display configured to provide an image of a graphical user interface in a viewing window, the graphical user interface configured to allow user selection and modification of print engine options for printing the document; and

processing circuitry configured to display, in the graphical user interface, a list of user-selectable printing features including a status feature, with the status feature selected, in response to a command to execute a print job and display a current status of the print job together with the list.

- 16. The printer control system of claim 15, wherein the processing circuitry is additionally configured to receive a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection and display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features.
- 17. The printer control system of claim 15, wherein the processing circuitry is additionally configured to receive a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection, display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for one of the features, display, in the graphical user interface, a print preview image which changes in response to actuation of the user-actuable control, receive a second command to execute the print job and resume the print job in response to the second command.
- 18. The printer control system of claim 15, wherein the processing circuitry is additionally configured to receive a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection, display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features and modify the print job in response to user actuation of the user-actuable control.

- 19. The printer control system of claim 15, wherein the processing circuitry is additionally configured to receive a selection of one of the user-actuable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection, display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features, modify the print job in response to user actuation of the user-actuable control, receive a second command to execute the print job and resume the print job in response to the second command.
  - 20. The printer control system of claim 15, wherein the processing circuitry is additionally configured to receive a selection of one of the user-selectable printing features other than the status feature, interrupt the print job in response to receiving the selection, display, in the graphical user interface, a user-actuable control for the selected one of the features, display, in the graphical user interface, a print preview image which changes in response to actuation of the user-actuable control and receive a second command to execute the print job.